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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, Applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached forms PTO-1449. Copies of the International Search Report and the references cited therein were supplied when this application entered the U.S. national phase.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of the British Search Report. Except for the U.S. Patents and WO 02/16495 which was cited in the International Search Report, copies of these references are enclosed herewith.

Also enclosed are two NREL articles, a Wilkie et al article, WO 86/03514 and EP 0202780.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 forms.

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